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1. Inasmuch as I will not be attending the 12-13 April Editorial Board meeting, I submit this to the Board to provide an update on those areas for which I was responsible.

2. Regarding the listed "article suggestions," following is the status:

a. "Acquiline," by [redacted] I have talked with [redacted]. He says he has spent 3 days at [redacted] reading the files on this and wants to interview several people. He may first submit an outline of the story. He is scheduled for another TDY in 30 days, the TDY to last 3 months. He says he really wants to write this, and will try to complete at least a first draft before his TDY. I believe he is sincere but wonder if we'll really see anything.

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b. "Artificial Intelligence," by [redacted]. Joe is in a new job in OCPAS and doesn't want to finish this. Next step, I believe, is to ask Phil Eckman to find a writer in ORD.

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c. "Nuclear Collection," by [redacted]. I still believe there is something here, but [redacted] is obviously stymied by compartmentation and on-going programs. We should ask Eckman to talk with [redacted] to see if anything can be salvaged. This is a good subject, and I believe classically is one of those areas where careful writing could get around the compartmentation problem.

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d. "Silent Helicopters," by [redacted] I have provided Bill a room on the Sixth Floor of Key Building where he has been working in a vaulted area for the past 4 weeks on this article. He also wants to meet with [redacted] of Hughes Aircraft who was involved in the original program and in follow-ons. [redacted] is in Nevada, and I have offered to write Bill a travel order to complete this story. It's a good one, and I think we will really get a manuscript on this one. Bill is now working about half-time in FBIS on it, the rest of the time in his INR job.

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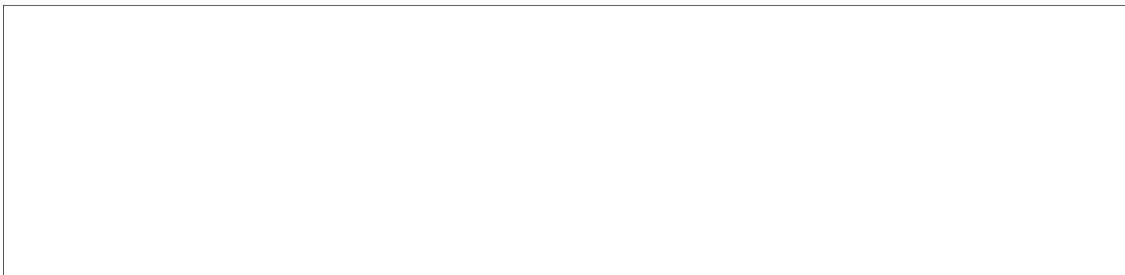
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3. Possible new ideas:

a. OTS can find a writer to write something on "foreign finds"--some examples of what the bad guys are up to in the clandestine technical field. There have been some unusual ones. would be the likely author.

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b. Maybe not exactly the right moment, but something on defusing terrorist bombs. This could be a first person account--how it feels to do this work, etc.



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e. Jim Hirsch has suggested something on This will take some looking into because of the compartmentation problem.

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f. I suggest the Board designate a specific time for a codeword "Studies" issue, and ask each DDS&T office director to provide at least one article for it. I believe Hineman would support this if we have proper security safeguards.

g. I am still working on the photographic article I mentioned to you regarding the new high-capacity FBIS satellite monitoring facility in Panama--a montage of photos with captions that tell the story. We have agreement by the U.S. Army (SOUTHCOM) to do the photos. Once I have the glossy photos (and slides) in hand, we'll see whether it all comes together and is interesting and professional enough. I will follow through on this.

4. Thank you for your help during my time on the Board.



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